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Dear Interested Party:

Enclosed is the current schedule of proposed actions for the Bitterroot National Forest, along with a general location map and map key.

Please note that this report is our primary means to inform you about the proposed projects expected to be analyzed pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) during the next three months. Contact the individual listed with each specific project if you wish to be more involved in that project (if you wish to provide comments, receive more detailed information including any environmental documents, and be notified of the final decision). This is our primary means for developing project specific mailing and contact lists.

I welcome your involvement in the development and review of these activities. This document, as well as the schedule of proposed actions for each and every National Forest, is now available on the internet from one convenient location: <http://www.fs.fed.us/sopa>.

Thank you for your interest in the management of the Bitterroot National Forest.

Sincerely,

DAVID T. BULL
Forest Supervisor



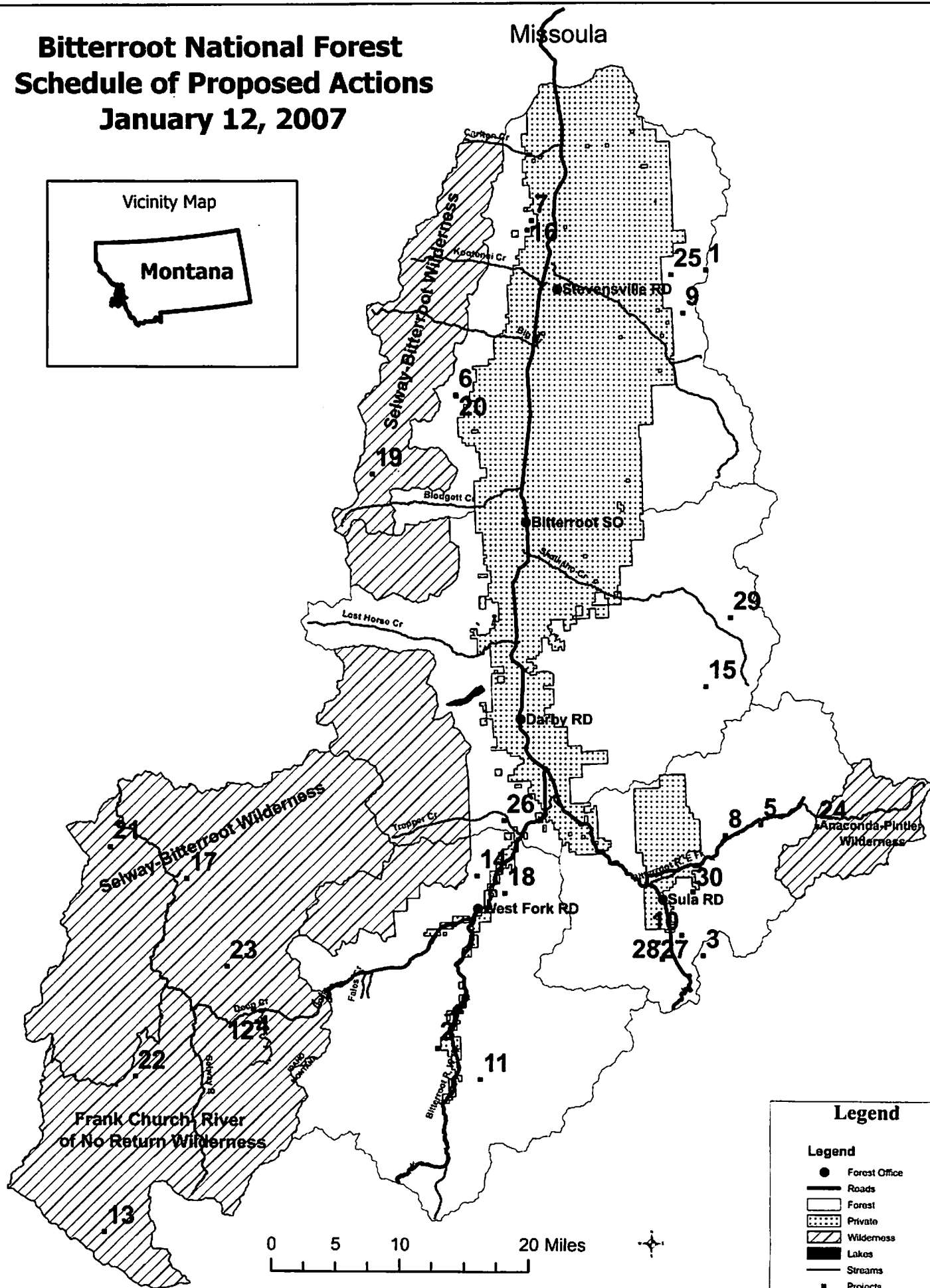
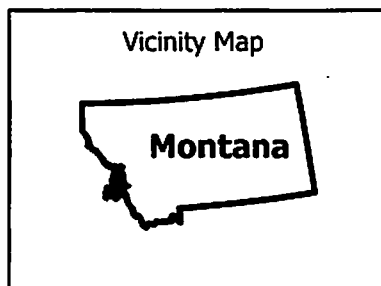
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Bitterroot National Forest Schedule of Proposed Actions January 12, 2007



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Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2007 to 03/31/2007

Bitterroot National Forest

This report contains the best available information at the time of publication. Questions may be directed to the Project Contact.

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
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Projects Occurring Nationwide					
Aerial Application of Fire Retardant EA *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment period legal notice 07/28/2006	Expected:07/2007	08/2007	Christopher Wehrli 202-205-1332 fire retardant@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to continue the aerial application of fire retardant to fight fires on National Forest System lands. An environmental analysis will be conducted to prepare an Environmental Assessment on the proposed action.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/retardant/index.html .				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. Nation Wide.				

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)					
Northern Rockies Lynx Amendment EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land management planning	In Progress: DEIS notice in FR 01/16/2004	Expected:02/2007	02/2007	Ray Smith 406-329-3381 raysmith@fs.fed.us
	Description: Management guidelines for management of Canada Lynx on certain lands under the authority of the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/planning/lynx.html				
	Location: UNIT - Idaho Panhandle National Forest Units, Clearwater National Forest Units, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Units, Bitterroot National Forest Units, Kootenai National Forest Units, Lewis And Clark National Forest Units, Bighorn National Forest Units, Ashley National Forest Units, Bridger-Teton National Forest Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest Units, Custer National Forest Units, Flathead National Forest Units, Gallatin National Forest Units, Helena National Forest Units, Lolo National Forest Units, Nez Perce National Forest Units, Shoshone National Forest Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest Units. STATE - Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Missoula. LEGAL - Various. Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah.				

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Supplemental EIS Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness Noxious Weed Treatment EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: NOI in FR 11/01/2003	Expected:01/2007	04/2007	Howard Lyman 208-839-2211 hlyman@fs.fed.us
	Description: Supplement the August 1999 EIS for weed treatment in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness				
	Location: UNIT - Salmon River Ranger District, Council Ranger District, McCall Ranger District, Middle Fork Ranger District, North Fork Ranger District, West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Custer, Idaho, Lemhi, Valley. Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness .				

R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Continental Divide National Scenic Trail Travel Management EA	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:03/2007	07/2007	Debra Gale (406) 821-1217 ddgale@fs.fed.us
	Description: For the section of CDT between Gibbons Pass north to the Anaconda Pintler boundary, analyze the travel management objectives. The decision will be whether or not to allow motorized use on portions of the trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District, Wisdom Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Beaverhead, Ravalli. LEGAL - T1S, R19W, Sec 11, 14 and T1N, R17W, Sec 20 P.M.M.. The section of the CDT between Gibbons Pass north to the Anaconda Pintler Wilderness boundary on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest.				
Forest Plan Revision, Lolo, Bitterroot and Flathead National Forests DM	- Land management planning	In Progress: Scoping start 05/10/2002	Expected:05/2007	09/2007	Chuck Sperry 406-329-3848 csperry@fs.fed.us
	Description: Forest Plan Revision				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/wmpz/				
Location: UNIT - Bitterroot National Forest Units, Flathead National Forest Units, Lolo National Forest Units. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Flathead, Granite, Lake, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli, Sanders. Western Montana .					

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Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Invasive Plants EIS EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: NOI in FR 11/02/2006	Expected:10/2007	04/2008	Chad Benson 406-329-3772 cwbenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal is to treat invasive plants and noxious weeds with herbicides and biocontrols within the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness				
	Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District, Sula Ranger District, Missoula Ranger District, Moose Creek Ranger District, Powell Ranger District, Stevensville Ranger District, West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho, Ravalli. Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, administering Forests in Idaho and Montana; Clearwater, Nez Perce, Lolo and Bitterroot National Forests.				

Bitterroot National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R1 - Northern Region
Grazing allotments CE DM *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:04/2007	06/2007	Gilbert Gale 406-821-2318 ggale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Categorical exclusion up to 6 vacant and 1 active grazing allotments. Propose closing 2 allotments and leaving the the others open as a grass bank or back up for active allotments in low feed, fire or rest year.				
	Location: UNIT - Bitterroot National Forest All Units. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. Various allotments Forest wide.				

Bitterroot National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R1 - Northern Region
Greef Land Exchange- Ditch Creek - 3rd proposal EA *NEW LISTING*	- Land acquisition	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 12/2006	Expected:07/2007	12/2008	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to exchange Private land near Larry Creek, Stevensville Ranger District, for National Forest land near Ditch Creek, West Fork Ranger District				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District, West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - S1/2SE1/4 Sec.20 and SW1/4SW1/4 Sec.21, T10N, R20W PMM; S1/2SE1/4 Sec.11, E1/2SE1/4SW1/4 Sec.11 and W1/2SW1/4SW1/4 Sec. 12, T1S, R22W PMM. Larry Creek, Stevensville RD; and Ditch Creek, West Fork Fork RD.				

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Bitterroot National Forest Darby Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R1 - Northern Region
Issuance of Outfitter Guide Special Use Permit-Two Bear Outfitters DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 10/13/2005	Expected:02/2007	02/2007	Debra Gale 406-821-1217 ddgale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issuance of a priority Special Use Permit for a 10 year period				
	Location: UNIT - Darby Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. Two Bear Meadows area.				
Trapper Bunkhouse BEMRP Project EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest p	In Progress: NOI in FR 09/21/2005	Expected:06/2007	11/2007	Sandrah Mack 406-777-7415 or 406- 777-5461 spmack@fs.fed.us
	Description: Manipulate forested vegetation to decrease the risk that a future wildland fire would develop into, or be sustained as, a stand-replacement or crown fire; support CWPP; salvage, thin to increase insect disease resistance; manage OHV use; research.				
	Location: UNIT - Darby Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. All drainages between Trapper and Bunkhouse Creeks.				
Weasel Underburn DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 12/08/2006	04/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Manual thinning and piling of small trees to prepare a larger area for prescribed fire [underburning] in order to restore and maintain ponderosa pine forest that is in the Weasel Creek drainage. Project area is 600 acres.				
	Location: UNIT - Darby Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - Portions of sections 25, 26, 33-36 of Township 5 North, Range 18 West; portions of sections 3-5 of T. 4 N., R.18 W., Principal Meridian, Ravalli Co., Montana.. Approximately 17 miles southeast of Hamilton, Montana..				

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Cinnamon Bear Pine Restoration DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping start 12/15/2004	Expected:02/2007	06/2007	John Walters 406-777-7450 or 406-777-5461 jcwalters@fs.fed.us
	Description: To restore and/or maintain ponderosa pine by slashing, piling, under burning in three units (105 ac). To reduce the amount of encroaching Douglas-fir. There may be some commercial Douglas-fir or smaller pp that would be removed from 1 unit.				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T9N R18W sections 15 and 16, PMM, Ravalli County, Montana. Just west of Cinnamon Bear Saddle on the Stevensville Ranger District.				
Gash Fire Salvage and Reforestation DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping start 11/10/2006	Expected:04/2007	08/2007	Sue Macmeeken 406-363-7151 smacmeeken@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercial harvest (salvage) of burned trees within the 2006 Gash Creek Fire area and reforestation of these burned lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T35N, R21W, Sec 5, 6; T36N, R21W, Sec 16, 17, 20, 21, 29-31. Portions of the Gash, Sweathouse, and Smith Creek drainages.				
Haacke Claremont Fuel Reduction DM	- Fuels management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sue Macmeeken 406-363-7151 smacmeeken@fs.fed.us
	Description: Fuel Treatments (non- activity fuels)				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T9N, R18W, Sec 32, T8N R18W, Sec 5,6,8. Stevensville Ranger District, Haake and Claremont drainages.				
Larry Bass Burn DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 12/08/2006	04/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restoration and maintenance of ponderosa pine stands that are in the Larry and Bass Creek drainages. Manual thinning, hand piling, pile burning and under burning. Project area is an estimated 1,236 acres.				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - Portions of: sections 24 and 25 of Township 10 North, Range 21 West; portions of sections 19, 28-30, 32-33 of T. 10 N., R.20 W.; Principal Meridian, Ravalli Co., Montana.. Approximately 3 miles southwest of Florence, Montana..				

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Mill Lake Dam Access for Embankment Stability EA	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 09/28/2006	Expected:04/2007	07/2007	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to authorize Mill Creek Irrigation District access to their easement at Mill Lake Dam, inside the Selway Bitterroot Wilderness, with certain terms and conditions, so that they may make their facilities safe.				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T9N, R23W, Sec. 1, PPM, Ravalli County, Montana. Mill Creek drainage, Selway Bitterroot Wilderness, Stevensville Ranger District, Bitterroot National Forest.				
Mushroom Harvest Gash Fire DM *NEW LISTING*	- Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 02/2007	Expected:03/2007	05/2007	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analysis of commercial mushroom harvest in the 2006 Gash Creek fire area				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T8N, T 21 and 22W, PPM. Gash Creek Fire.				
Stevensville School Access DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 02/28/2006	Expected:02/2007	03/2007	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to FFA/school property in Ambrose Cr Area				
	Location: UNIT - Stevensville Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T9N, R18W, Sec. 29, . Stevensville Ranger District, south of Ambrose saddle .				

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East Fork Timber Stand Improvement DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:03/2007	07/2007	Sheryl Meekin 406-821-2310 smeekin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Precommercial thinning 737 acres of young plantations for timber stand improvement purposes.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. Lyman Creek, Guide Creek, Jennings Camp Creek, Colvert Creek.				

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Guide 311 Rx Burn DM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management 	Completed	Actual: 12/19/2006	04/2007	Lee McAlpine (406) 821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Grassland restoration using prescribed fire on 166 acres in the vicinity of the Guide-Rye Road, No. 311 and Jennings Camp Creek.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - Township 2 North; Range 18 West, portions of sections 21-22 & 27-28, Principal Meridian, Ravalli Co, Montana.. Approximately 8 miles northeast of Sula, Ravalli County, Montana.				
Hotsprings Fuels DM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fuels management 	In Progress: Scoping start 06/09/2006	Expected: 02/2007	06/2007	Lee McAlpine (406) 821-2324 lmc Alpine@fs.fed.us
	Description: Fuel reduction around private lands near Lost Trail Hot Springs				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T1S R19W S 9, 16. National Forest lands around Lost Trail Hot Springs.				
Springer II Hazardous Fuels Reduction DM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fuels management 	In Progress: Scoping start 07/22/2002	Expected: 02/2007	06/2007	Lee McAlpine (406) 821-2324 lmc Alpine@fs.fed.us
	Description: Defensible fuels protection zone (DFPZ) for the Springer-Bonanza community.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T.2N., R.19W., S. 19-21 & S.28-30 and T.1N., R.18W., S. 24-25.. West side of the Upper East Fork of the Bitterroot River, north of Meadow Creek.				
Waugh Gulch Road Decommissioning EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management 	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Mike Jakober (406) 821-3269 mjakober@fs.fed.us
	Description: Decommission the end segment of road 13334, restore the stream channel where the road segment crosses Waugh Creek, and obliterate several non-system roads accessed by this segment of road 13334..				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T1N, R19W, S 4, 5. Waugh Creek drainage.				

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Waugh/Andrews EA EA	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping start 12/23/2002 Estimated 215 comment 01/2007	Expected:04/2007	06/2007	Gilbert Gale 406-821-2318 ggale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Range analysis for the reissuance of the Waugh/Andrews/Warm Springs grazing allotment.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T1S, R19W, Sec. 4-9, 16-21, 28-32 and T1N, R19W, Sec. 18, 19, 29, 30, 25, 21, 36 P.M.M.. Waugh Gulch and Andrews drainages.				
West Tolan Interface Project DM *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:06/2007	10/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Approximately 350 acres of hazardous fuels reduction treatments involving slashing of small diameter trees, prescribed burning, some commercial thinning, and some salvage harvest. Commercial material will be removed by helicopter.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T.1N.; R.19 W.; sections 13, 14, 23, 24. Western portion of Tolan Creek about 2.25 miles east of Sula, Montana..				

Bitterroot National Forest West Fork Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R1 - Northern Region
Triple Creek Outfitter and Guide Permit DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 09/27/2006	Expected:01/2007	01/2007	Joe Butsick 406-821-1210 jbutsick@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issuance to a ten year permit.				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. West Fork Ranger District.				
Bill Mitchell Outfitters, Inc. permit reissuance DM *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:12/2007	01/2008	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissuance of a priority outfitter guide permit for a term of 10 years				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho, Ravalli. LEGAL - T27N, R15E, Sec.4. The project area is existing permit area in parts of Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness, Selway Bitterrot Wilderness, Idaho and Blue Joint Wilderness Study Area in Montana .				

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	Description: Range analysis for the reissuance of the Waugh/Andrews/Warm Springs grazing allotment.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T1S, R19W, Sec. 4-9, 16-21, 28-32 and T1N, R19W, Sec. 18, 19, 29, 30, 25, 21, 36 P.M.M.. Waugh Gulch and Andrews drainages.				
West Tolan Interface Project DM *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:06/2007	10/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Approximately 350 acres of hazardous fuels reduction treatments involving slashing of small diameter trees, prescribed burning, some commercial thinning, and some salvage harvest. Commercial material will be removed by helicopter.				
	Location: UNIT - Sula Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T.1N.; R.19 W.; sections 13, 14, 23, 24. Western portion of Tolan Creek about 2.25 miles east of Sula, Montana..				

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Triple Creek Outfitter and Guide Permit DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 09/27/2006	Expected:01/2007	01/2007	Joe Butsick 406-821-1210 jbutsick@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issuance to a ten year permit.				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. West Fork Ranger District.				
Bill Mitchell Outfitters, Inc. permit reissuance DM *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:12/2007	01/2008	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissuance of a priority outfitter guide permit for a term of 10 years				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho, Ravalli. LEGAL - T27N, R15E, Sec.4. The project area is existing permit area in parts of Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness, Selway Bitterrot Wilderness, Idaho and Blue Joint Wilderness Study Area in Montana .				

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Coal Creek Drift Fence DM *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:02/2007	06/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct 1,100 feet of post and rail fence along north side of Coal Creek to prevent livestock bank trampling.				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T. 2 S.; R.22 W.; NW 1/4 OF SECTION 16. Between Coal Creek and Forest Service Road 5660.				
Deep Creek Culvert Replacements DM *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:02/2007	08/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replacement of 3 existing fish barrier culverts and removal of one culvert on small tributaries to Deep Creek.				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T.27 N.; R. 15 E.; sections 3, 4 and 6.. Deep Creek Forest Service Road 468 (in Idaho) .				
Hughes Malloy Underburn DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 12/05/2006	04/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Manual thinning and piling of small trees to prepare a larger area for prescribed fire to restore and maintain ponderosa pine forest that is in the Hughes and Malloy watersheds. Actions would be implemented on an estimated 2700 acres.				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - Portions of sections 25, 26, 34-36 of Township 2 South, Range 22 West; sections 29-32 of T. 2 S., R.21 W.; Sections 1 and 2 of T. 2 S., R.22 W.; Sections 5 and 6 of T. 2 S., R.21 W., Principal Meridia. The project area covers the south aspect slopes below Lookout Mountain in the Hughes Creek and Malloy Creek drainages on the West Fork Ranger District..				
Issuance of Outfitter and Guide Special Use Permit-Dave Hettinger Outfitting DM	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping start 10/13/2005	Expected:02/2007	02/2007	Debra Gale 406-821-1217 ddgale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issuance of a priority Special Use Permit for a 10 year period				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. Eakin Ridge area - Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness Area.				

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Lookout Creek Bridge Replacement DM	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping start 04/19/2006	Expected:02/2007	07/2007	Debra Gale (406) 821-1217 ddgale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replacement of bridge on trail at Lookout Creek				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T29N, R14E, Sec.2 Boise Meridian. Lookout Creek Trail near Whitecap Creek.				
Lower West Fork Watershed Projects EA *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest p	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation management to reduce fuels and improve forest health-diversity through commercial contract and prescribed fire. Additional projects may include forest pre-commercial thinning; road decommissioning; fisheries passage improvements.				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - sect 27-36-T2N, R21W; sect 5-8, 17-20, 29-32-T1N, R20W; sect 1-29, 34-36-T1N, R21W; sect 1, 12-15, 22-25-T1 N, R22W; sect 6-T1S, R20W; sect 1-4, 9-12, 14-16, 21, 22-T1S, R21W; Principal Meridian. The project location is about 7 to 15 miles southwest of Darby, Montana and includes National Forest Service lands on both sides of the west fork of the Bitterroot river. .				
Running Creek Bridge Replacement DM	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Debra Gale (406) 821-1217 ddgale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replacement of bridge on trail at Running Creek				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T30N, R13E, Sec 20 Boise Meridian. Running Creek bridge in Selway River corridor.				
Salmon Mountain Trail # 705 DM *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 03/2007	Expected:08/2007	09/2007	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocation of trail near Salmon Mountain Lookout				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T26N, R13E, NE Sec. 3. Salmon Mountain Trail# 705, near Salmon Mountain Lookout.				

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Lower West Fork Watershed Projects EA *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest p	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 01/2007	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Kit Buell 406-821-1251 kbuell@fs.fed.us
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Running Creek Bridge Replacement DM	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Debra Gale (406) 821-1217 ddgale@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replacement of bridge on trail at Running Creek				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T30N, R13E, Sec 20 Boise Meridian. Running Creek bridge in Selway River corridor.				
Salmon Mountain Trail # 705 DM *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 03/2007	Expected:08/2007	09/2007	Elizabeth Ballard 406-777-7421 eballard@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocation of trail near Salmon Mountain Lookout				
	Location: UNIT - West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Ravalli. LEGAL - T26N, R13E, NE Sec. 3. Salmon Mountain Trail# 705, near Salmon Mountain Lookout.				

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